



09500.017483.

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
YUKIO CHIBA)	
	:	Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 10/642,231)	
	:	
Filed: August 18, 2003)	
	:	
For: IMAGE PROCESSING)	
APPARATUS AND METHOD	:	
THEREFOR)	October 29, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are not enclosed, as all are U.S. patents or published U.S. patent applications.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. application:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
10/369,544	February 21, 2003	2621

A copy of the cited application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



Attorney for Applicant

Registration No. 44,063

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10112-3800
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200

FORM PTO 1449 (modified)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT(S)
(Use several sheets if necessary)

O I P E

OCT 30 2003

PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTY DOCKET NO.
03500.017483.

APPLICATION NO.
10/642,231

APPLICANT
YUKIO CHIBA

FILING DATE
August 18, 2003

GROUP
N/Y/A

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	US	2002/0090142A1	7/11/02	Igarashi et al.	382	246	12/19/01
	US	2002/0122599A1	9/5/02	Igarashi et al.	382	239	2/12/02
	US	2002/0164080A1	11/7/02	Igarashi et al.	382	233	2/26/02
	US	2003/0058143A1	3/27/03	Chiba et al.	341	67	9/18/02
	US	2003/0118240A1	6/26/03	Satoh et al.	382	239	11/19/02
		6,603,413	8/5/03	Igarashi et al.	341	67	2/7/02

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Sheet 1 of 1

NY_MAIN 384794v1